UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

IN RE: DAVOL, INC./C.R. BARD, INC., POLYPROPYLENE HERNIA MESH PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Case No. 2:18-md-2846

CHIEF JUDGE EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR. Magistrate Judge Kimberly A. Jolson

This document relates to: THOMAS SWENSON

Case No.: 2:20-cv-01519

DAVOL INC.'S AND C. R. BARD, INC.'S SHORT FORM ADOPTION BY REFERENCE ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' SHORT FORM ADOPTION BY REFERENCE COMPLAINT

Pursuant to Case Management Order No. 9, Defendants Davol Inc. and C. R. Bard, Inc. ("Defendants"), by and through their undersigned counsel, hereby submit their Short Form Adoption by Reference Answer.

Defendants hereby incorporate by reference and adopt, as though restated in full, the Master Answer dated January 2, 2019, including each and every Affirmative Defense, and deny all causes of action in the Master Complaint and Short-Form Adoption by Reference Complaint unless expressly admitted.

This Short-Form Adoption by Reference Answer is not intended to and shall not waive any applicable defenses available to Defendants at this time, and Defendants hereby reserve the right to respond to Plaintiffs individual complaint by way of any motions permissible under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or as set forth in CMO No. 9, at section VII.

Defendants demand a Jury Trial on all Counts.

Dated: May 4, 2020 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 4, 2020, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system, which will send a notice of this electronic filing to all counsel of record.

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